These growth centres will be endowed with the infrastructural facilities at par with the best available in respect of power, water, telecommuncation and banking. It is proposed to implement the scheme during the Eghth Five Year Plan.

705. *[Transferred to* 30//; *July,* 1991]

खादी और ग्रामोद्योग आयोग द्वारा ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में रोजगार उपलब्ध कराया जाना

706. श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह: क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या खादी और ग्रामोद्योग आयोग द्वारा ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में शिक्षित और अशिक्षित बेरोजगारों को रोजगार उपलब्ध कराने हेतु कोई योजना तैयार की गई है ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और उससे अब तक कितने बेरोजगार व्यक्ति लाभान्वित हुए हैं?

उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० जे० कुरियन) : (क) और (ख) खादी और ग्रामोद्योग क्षेत्र के लिए योजना आयोग द्वारा नियुक्त कार्य दल ने 8वीं योजना के अंत तक 22.5 लाख ग्रामीण कारीगरों के लिए रोजगार के अतिरिक्त अवसर सृजित करने का लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया है । सातवीं योजना के अंत तक खादी और ग्रामोद्योग आयोग के तत्वावधान में खादी और ग्रामोद्योग क्षेत्र में अब तक 47.39 लाख व्यक्तियों को रोजगार दिलाए गए हैं ।

Vacant posts of Chairman and Managing Directors in Public Sector Undertakings

707. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that certain posts of Chariman and Managing Directors of Public Sector Undertakings under his Ministry are lying vacant for more than one year, and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and by when these posts would be filled up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) No. Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Allocation of imported edible oil to the States

708. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the criteria for allocation of imported edible oil to different States;

(b) the demands of different States according to their requirements for the next three months; and

(c) Government's response to their demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) The allocation of imported edible oils to StatesyUTs is decided based on factors such as availability of indgenous oils, realistic demand of the State/UT, availablity of imported edible oils with the Government, pace of lifting, etc.

(b) The monthly average demand worked out from the Annual demand for edible oils furnished by States/UTs for the oil year (November-October) 1990-91 is annexed as statement.

(c) The demand of States could not be met on account of suspension of import of edible oils due to severe foreign exchange constraints.